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Wagner Spurs New Deal Fight on WPA Slash; Scores 'National Suicide'

Administration Drives to Restore \$150 Million Slashed From FDR Relief Demands; Walter White Cites Negro Job Crisis in Cuts; Lasser Tells of Alliance Rallies Jan. 28; Wagner Warns Congress of Recession

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The Administration tonight opened a fight to restore to the \$725,000,000 relief bill the \$150,000,000 slashed out by the House, with a warning from Sen. Robert F. Wagner (Dem., N. Y.), that the cut would threaten the current business revival.

A demonstration against the reduced appropriation will be



SEN. WAGNER

staged by 500,000 unemployed and WPA workers, trade unionists and other sympathizers on Saturday, Jan. 28, David Lasser, head of the Workers Alliance, an organization of relief workers, said tonight. He said that parades will be held in hundreds of cities and towns where the Alliance is organized.

Sen. Wagner said the bill passed by the House and revised by the Senate Appropriations Committee

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10 Survivors Of Air Crash On Way Home

Search Ocean for Three Missing; Horror Ordeal Told

Ten survivors of the Imperial Airways flying boat Cavalier, which sank at sea Saturday, were on their way back to New York tonight aboard the tanker Esso Baytown while Coast Guard boats searched the storm-lashed Atlantic for the remaining three who were aboard the plane when it was forced down in a storm.

The Coast Guard cutter Champlain, directing the search over the area where the flying boat went down—about 300 miles off Cape Hatteras—reported tonight to Coast Guard headquarters in Washington that if the others were not found by nightfall, the search would be given up.

All information gleaned from those who were rescued by the Esso Baytown indicated that the missing three—a steward and two male passengers—went down shortly after the 19-ton flying boat crashed into the sea and was nearly split open by the impact.

The names of the three missing persons are:

Donald Miller of Lincoln, Neb. J. Gordon Noakes of Malibu, N. Y. Robert Spence, steward aboard the Cavalier.

From the half-incoherent accounts of the terror-stricken survivors, it was evident that the three who are missing were injured as the Cavalier plunged into the sea, and were unable to clasp on the combination life-belts and floating "safety seats."

The others floated for 10 hours in the icy ocean—fortunately with an air temperature of about 50 degrees at sea level—until the Esso Baytown, ploughing toward the scene of the wreck, found them in a cluster shortly before midnight.

Lawyers Guild Urges End of Dies Group; Calls for U.S. Probe

City Chapter Assails Red-Baiting 'Probe' of Committee; Urges Dep't of Justice Begin Investigation of Subversive Activity

The National Lawyers Guild has sent a resolution to Speaker Oswald D. Heck and Hon. Irwin Steingut, of the New York State Assembly, and to Speaker William Bankhead, of the U. S. House of Representatives, urging discontinuance of the Dies Committee and investigation by the Department of Justice itself of un-American or subversive activities in the United States.

The resolution, adopted unanimously by the New York City Chapter of the Guild, urged that the Department of Justice be requested to present to the Grand Jury all evidence of un-American or subversive activities with a view to prosecuting the offenders. "or, if evidence which may be disclosed is not of such character to be under prosecution of law at this time, that the Department of Justice report such fact to Congress, which shall consider remedial legislation."

The resolution in full follows: "WHEREAS, the Dies Committee, appointed at the last session

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Texas Pecan Trust Denied Exemptions at Wage-Hour Hearing

Official Rules Against Learner Exemption Plea; Assails 'Meager Wages, Child Labor, Anti-Union Policy'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The Southern Pecan Shelling Co., San Antonio, Texas, which processes half the American pecan crop, and notorious for its feudal treatment of labor, tonight was denied a learner exemption by the Wage-Hour Administration which charged the company's labor policies "are precisely what Congress sought to eliminate" by enacting the Wage-Hour Law.

Merle D. Vincent, Wage-Hour official who presided at hearings on the exemption request, asserted that the company paid its shellers only \$2.50 to \$3.50 per week during a two-year period in which it netted a profit of more than \$500,000. He rejected a plea of Julius Seligman, company president, that he be permitted to pay 2,500 to 3,000 learners 15 cents an hour—10 cents below the statutory minimum—for a 90-day period while they learned to operate new

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Okla. Sets Up State Industrial Union Council

McALESTER, Okla., Jan. 22.—Oklahoma this week joined the parade of states into united labor action under the CIO banner. The Oklahoma Industrial Union Council has been set up under one of the most democratic constitutions ever adopted by any central labor organization and the election of officers pledged to carry forward a progressive program to improve labor conditions in the southwest.

William W. Allen, of Oklahoma City, representing the Oil Workers International Union, was unanimously named president of the new Council. Tom Bolen of the Flat Glass Workers, Okmulgee, was elected vice-president and James Johnson of Heavener, a veteran of many years' service with the United Mine Workers, was chosen as secretary-treasurer. Six members of the state executive board were elected at the two-day gathering, one representing each of six national unions affiliated with the CIO, and provision was made for the later selection of representatives from all other affiliated bodies.

Storm Warnings On East Coast

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22 (UP).—The U. S. Weather Bureau today ordered storm warnings posted on the Maine Coast east of Portland to Eastport and northwest storm warnings south of Delaware Breakwater to Cape Hatteras. A storm of marked intensity over southwestern Quebec was reported moving rapidly eastward.

Expect Huge Crowd at Lenin Memorial

Garden Meeting to Spur Fight on Embargo Against Spain

William Z. Foster, National Chairman of the Communist Party and famous labor leader, will make the principal speech at the Lenin Memorial Meeting at Madison Square Garden tonight.

More than 22,000 persons are expected to pack the Garden in honor of the great revolutionary leader, who died 15 years ago.

Foster will make his first public appearance tonight since his return from Cuba, where he attended the convention of the Cuban Communist Party.

FORD TO SPEAK

James W. Ford, noted Negro leader and member of the Party's National Committee and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, great woman orator and Communist National Committee member, will speak with Foster. Israel Amter, New York State Chairman of the Communist Party, will be chairman.

The meeting will demand the lifting of the Spanish arms embargo.

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EARL BROWDER

Browder Asks U. S. Take Lead In Peace Plans

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 22.—More than 7,500 people walked through a freezing windstorm this afternoon to pour into Public Auditorium and hear General Secretary Earl Browder of the Communist Party call upon the U. S. Government to take leadership in uniting all peace loving people of the world against the aggression of international fascism.

The rally was designated as "the biggest meeting in the history of the Communist Party of Ohio," by Andrew R. Condra, Cuyahoga County Secretary of the Party.

The crowd cheered wildly as 18 veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade marched to the platform,

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JULIO DEL VAYO

UAW Locals Back Board; Defy Martin

Support Cleveland Call, Martin 'Goon' Hold National Office

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Jan. 22.—A growing response of the membership to the struggle of the majority of the International Executive Board Members of the United Automobile Workers against the Hitler-fascist of Homer Martin became pronounced today, as locals endorsed the board's call for the Cleveland convention.

The UAW International Executive Board issued the following statement: "The International Executive Board appreciates the loyalty of the auto workers in the union, as shown in the countless telephone calls, telegrams and letters offering protection and support to the union in its fight against Homer Martin's under-world tactics."

"The board is confident that the UAW cannot be switched into company unionism by any would-be Hitler under the guidance of Harry Bennett and the Ford Service Department. The board urges every loyal local to support peace and order. Democracy and the American way will prevail."

This statement was sent in a form of a letter to all local unions of the U.A.W.

MEETING BACKS BOARD

At the meeting of the Briggs Local No. 212 held this morning in Cass Technical High School the workers unanimously approved the decision of the International Executive Board for a convention March 20 in Cleveland.

The local executive board of West Side Local No. 174 passed a resolution in support of the International Executive Board and condemning Martin's destructive activities. Similar action was taken by the shop stewards body this morning.

At the mass meeting of Plymouth Local No. 51 held in Cass Tech this afternoon more than two-thirds of the 3,000 workers assembled cheered leaders of the International Executive Board.

A small minority headed by Dies witnesses Pat McCarty with the assistance of Mayor Reading's police prevented the passage of a resolution in support of the board by shouting and disruption.

Among the supporters of McCarty whom the police escorted into the hall were a large number of

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Catalonia People Rally; Resistance Stronger; Vow to Halt Fascists

'Entire Spanish Gov't. Optimistic' -- del Vayo

PARIS, Jan. 22 (UP).—Loyalist Foreign Minister Julio Alvarez del Vayo arrived in Paris today from Geneva and said: "The entire Spanish Government, including myself, is optimistic."

He said he was convinced that Barcelona, like Madrid, would resist for months despite a lack of materials.

Del Vayo will remain in Paris until Thursday, conferring with Leon Blum and other Left leaders and then with Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet. He will enter Loyalist Spain Thursday by way of Perpignan.

Toledano Urges U.S. Lift Embargo on Spain; Mexico Spurs Drive

Head of Latin-American Labor Confederation Wires Congress; Stresses Duty of Democracies to Stop Fascist Threat

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 22.—Vicente Lombardo Toledano, in the name of the Latin-American Labor Federation, approached the Congress of the United States today, requesting in a telegram made public today "that the U.S.A. permit the sale of war material to the government of the Spanish Republic."

Toledano's telegram follows in full:

"To the Congress of the United States of America, Washington, D. C.

"The working class of Latin America which constitutes the most vigorous and most representative nucleus of the people of the twenty brother republics of the New World, expects that the Congress of the United States comply with its duty, imposed upon it by destiny, to prevent the barbarous fascist regime triumph in Europe which would seriously threaten the future of the Occidental Hemisphere.

"The defeat of the Spanish Republic would signify a great victory for fascism and a serious obstacle in the development of democracy on the American continent.

"Fascism cannot prosper while there still exists a democratic America; but it is also impossible for American democracy to prosper while fascism exists in Europe.

"The peoples of America have the duty to free the world from the worst enemy Humanity has ever had.

"You should make it possible that the rights of men be respected, that the sale of war material to the government of the Spanish Republic be permitted in your country.

"To recede in this decisive hour before Hitler and Mussolini means to draw back before their future threats and to confess the helpless impotence of democracy

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Reinforcements Go to Front; Loyalists Need Arms

By Sam Russell

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

BARCELONA, Jan. 22 (By Wireless).—With Italian troops 32 miles from Barcelona, the heroic population of Catalonia had to face the urgent task of immediate defense and fortification of the city.

Barcelona is endangered and the whole population is aware of the gravity of the situation.

After whole days of magnificent resistance, Loyalist troops were forced late last night to withdraw to lines near Igualada, Villafranca and Villanueva y Geltru.

This morning heavily Italian attacks recommenced in the direction of Manresa, where the enemy is attempting to advance along the rail line from Calaf. Here the principal danger to Barcelona lies.

AIM TO TAKE MANRESA

The Italian high command hopes to take Manresa and in this manner, advancing along the road via Terrassa and Sabadell, force evacuation of Barcelona. Attacking the town from the rear. These are the intentions of the Italian command.

The Barcelona population is determined to frustrate these plans as the Madrid population in November, 1936, and Valencia in July last year, stopped such plans.

The spirit of Barcelona has to be experienced to be understood. I have been living in the town since July, 1937, and I have never known such a spirit of determination and grit with the whole town, even the kids are conscious of the seriousness of the situation—conscious at the same time of the greatness of their task and confident of the will to equal it.

FULL MOBILIZATION

Everyone is being mobilized for war work. In order to assist the plans of the Negri Government, Juan Comorera, Councillor of Economy of the Catalan Government, today announced a series of mobilization measures. The government order closes all stores and suspends all business during the

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VICENTE TOLEDANO

Charge Ala. Official Violated Promise to Free Scottsboro Boys

(See article on Tom Mooney and the Scottsboro Boys by James W. Ford on page 6.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 22 (UP).—Samuel S. Leibowitz, lawyer for the "Scottsboro boys," charged tonight that Attorney General Albert A. Carmichael of Alabama had broken a promise to free four of the Negro youths within two years, which expired this month.

[Last Dec. 22 Dr. Allan Knight Chalmers, chairman of the National Scottsboro Defense Committee, revealed that Gov. Bibb Graves of Alabama had broken his promise to free the Scottsboro boys still in prison by last October. Dr. Chalmers announced that the committee would continue its efforts to free the remaining five imprisoned boys, including Ozie Powell, who is now serving a 20-year term for defending himself against the lynch attempt of a guard. Dr. Chalmers said the committee would press for the release of the boys under the administration of the new Gov. Dixon of Alabama.]

He said he would reveal details of the case before the American Bar Association.

The promise was made, Leibowitz said, in January, 1937, at a conference in the Hotel New Yorker attended by Carmichael, the late Lieut. Gov. Thomas E. Knight, Jr., of Alabama, who prosecuted all the cases, except the last when Carmichael superseded him, Leibowitz's secretary, and Leibowitz.

"Carmichael promised at the con-

ference to free within two years Andy Wright, Clarence Norris, Heywood Patterson and Charley Weems," Leibowitz said.

Subsequently Wright was sentenced to 75 years imprisonment, Norris to 99 years, Patterson to 75, and Weems to 75. The fifth boy, Ozie Powell, was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment for "assault upon a guard."

The four who were freed were Eugene Williams, Olen Montgomery, Willie Robertson, and Roy Wright, Andy's brother.

"Carmichael ran out on his promise," Leibowitz continued. "When the trials took place he went out of the state, to a camp in South Carolina. As attorney general, he is now a member of the State Parole Board and in a position to keep his promise."

Leibowitz said that recently members of the Scottsboro Defense Committee had made representations to Carmichael regarding his promise but nothing had been accomplished.

"The imprisoned Scottsboro boys will not be forgotten. The attorney general of Alabama will be called upon to do the decent, manly thing," Leibowitz said.

New Yorkers Stop Busy Whirl for Close Look At Enlarged Sunday Worker--and Like It

Saturday night, January 21. The presses start rolling. Off come the first copies of the new Sunday Worker. Thirty minutes later 300 New Yorkers, gathered together from the Hudson River to the ocean, take the paper out to the people. Every one of them knows he is carrying the finest piece of labor journalism yet to appear in America.

This isn't our opinion. Today it is New York's opinion. Men and women know it in the Bronx, in upper Broadway, out in Sheepshead Bay, where America meets the Atlantic.

More than 300 Communist Party members waited in the Workers' School for these first copies of the new Sunday Worker. They introduced thousands of these papers in the subways that saw New York together.

Every place they went the reaction was the same. New York knew that something was happening. Five, six, eight people on a single subway car, took copies of the new Sunday Worker. A paper whose very appearance was news! The men and women who disposed of the papers reported back to the

(The Daily Worker switchboard hummed yesterday with activity as a number of readers called in, congratulating the staff on the first issue of the enlarged Sunday Worker.)

Workers' School as late as 3:30 in the morning. Sleep came later on the agenda. This was a "first experience" for many—yet they asked whether they could return next Saturday night, although others from their branch were coming.

Jack Brennan, of the 8th A.D. Bronx, first to return with 30 papers disposed of, was asked how he did it. "It was a snap," he said. "I just

marched into the nearest subway and told people that I had the new Sunday Worker. I told them this was the paper that had fought for Tom Mooney's release. I told them we were featuring exclusive labor news, articles from Spain and France, and a special article by Earl Browder. And people asked for it."

"It's just like the Amter campaign," the girl said. "I was really nervous when I started to visit strangers during the elections. But everyone was so receptive that it was a thrill. I got the same feeling with the Sunday Worker. Every person I visited wanted a close look at the paper."

As one of the many veterans of the International Brigade who helped with the new paper said, "This is one way of helping to lift the embargo on Spain."

Over 14,000 copies brought to people on the subways Saturday night! Over 40,000 taken out by

Party members on Sunday! A record sale on the newsstands! Put them all together and you have—

A new page in the history of American Journalism! A paper that succeeded one year after its birth! One day old—yet the new Sunday Worker has already won a permanent place in the labor-progressive movement! And this is just the beginning!

Out-of-town districts which had looked forward with enthusiasm to the expanded Sunday Worker carried their enthusiasm into record-breaking orders and sales. From Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Maryland and New England came reports of fast-moving newsstand and delivery sales.

Steel workers in Western Pennsylvania grabbed up every available copy and similar response was recorded in the huge textile and shoe centers of New England, the heavy industrial areas of Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland.

USSR Hails Progress of Nation on Lenin Anniversary

Soviet Army Expert Sees Japan Setbacks In China Invasion

Writer in Pravda, Soviet C. P. Press, Reviews Military Situation; Cites Weakening Tokio Offensives; Strong Guerrilla Activity

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, Jan. 22.—A military correspondent of Pravda, Soviet Communist organ, in a detailed study of the military scene in China predicts a series of setbacks for the Japanese invaders during the current year.

"The Japanese General Staff," he writes, "in its desire to paralyze all South China last December ordered the landing of small parties at various points of the South China coast west of Canton simultaneously with operations north of Canton."

"Nevertheless, the Japanese troops, confronted by the Chinese defenses, were not able to penetrate inland from the coast."

"In January the Chinese units opened counter-offensives in the sector of the Canton-Kowloon railway and by Jan. 10 had captured Sheklung, on the railway."

"The guerrilla movement which has developed in the Canton district has also considerably hampered the operations of the Japanese forces by distracting their attention."

"The concentration of forces for the Japanese active army in Central and South China lasted only long enough for the capture of Hankow and Canton and the broadening of the area held around these cities."

"The Japanese troops are in need of rest, reinforcements and additional supplies."

"The 'punitive expedition' of the Japanese troops in North China against the Eighth People's Revolutionary Army and its guerrilla detachments had no success."

"The vast territory in the quadrangle between the Peiping-Suiyuan, the Peiping-Hankow, the Taiyuan-Taiyuan and the Taiyuan-Chengyang railways, remains completely in the hands of the local anti-Japanese government organized by the Eighth Army."

"A considerable portion of Hopei province lying between the Peiping-Hankow and the Tientsin-Pukow railways reaching to the Yellow River is likewise in the hands of the Chinese local authorities and guerrillas."

"The situation around Tientsin, where the principal Japanese base is located, is becoming more and more menacing for the Japanese."

"Guerrilla detachments are operating in the immediate vicinity of Tientsin."

"In the eastern part of Hopei province Eighth Route Army detachments have control over 12 counties."

"The troops of Japanese imperialism are powerless in the struggle against the elusive Chinese guerrillas who continually strike at isolated Japanese columns and rearward positions."

"This is one of the reasons which is now forcing the Japanese army to give its main attention to strengthening its hinterland positions."

SUCCESSES SHORT-LIVED

"For the purpose of destroying the bases of the Eighth Army and the guerrilla forces in Shanxi province, the Japanese General Staff ordered a new offensive operation at the end of December in the southwest part of the province in the direction of the Yellow River, which forms the boundary between Shanxi and Shensi provinces."

"The Special District of China and the base of the Eighth Army are located in Shensi province. The plan of the Japanese was to cross the Yellow River and deal a blow at the Special District and the city of Sian, capital of Shensi province."

"For this drive several Japanese divisions were sent to North China from other parts of the front. One Japanese column was able to take Sichow and cross to the western bank of the Yellow River."

"Nevertheless, the Japanese successes were short-lived. On Jan. 7-8 the Chinese opened a counter-offensive which caught the Japanese by surprise."

"The Japanese retreated from Sichow, Taining and Sianping, making a withdrawal of close to 20 miles along the whole front of operations, and suffered heavy losses. The Japanese casualties reached almost 8,000. The Chinese captured large supplies of war material."

"The fighting against the Japanese in the southwest part of Shanxi is not yet over. Nonetheless, the present victory of the Chinese troops shows that in North China as well, despite the concentration of large forces, the Japanese can hardly count on victories."

ALL SPAIN MOBILIZED TO PROTECT CITY



As Franco's troops creep near the city of Barcelona (above), Loyalist Spain, young and old, are united in defensive measures to stop the drive.

Fight on British Tories Spurs People's Front

Pravda, Soviet C. P. Press, Comments on Growth of Movement

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 22.—The pro-fascist drive of the British reactionaries is spurring the movement of the British people towards a People's Front. Pravda declares today.

"Despite the desire of the right-wing leadership of the Labor Party and the trade unions," the Communist Party organ says, "the idea of the People's Front is winning new supporters every day."

"Recently left-wing leaders of the labor movement, represented by three members of the Labor Party Executive Committee, officially declared their disagreement with the position of the Executive in hampering the formation of a People's Front in Britain."

"This position of the left-wing leaders reflected the spirit of the broad masses in Britain. Their statement shows that the masses are demanding an active struggle against reaction, which is intensifying its offensive."

"The British working people are becoming convinced of the necessity to weld their ranks, to create a united People's Front for struggle against fascism, war, for defense of democracy and peace."

200 at Scranton Rally Urge Embargo Lifting

SCRANTON, Jan. 22.—Two hundred persons, attending a mass meeting here today petitioned President Roosevelt to lift the embargo on Spain. The rally was addressed by John O. Forchuck, veteran of the Garibaldi Battalion.

Soviet Fair Architect Arrives in Moscow

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 22.—Boris Iofan, chief architect at the Soviet pavilion at the New York World's Fair, arrived today in Moscow from the United States.

He was informed that the sculpture to be placed on the square adjacent to the Soviet pavilion is already on its way to New York.

Two ships loaded with marble and granite facing material have already arrived in New York, he said, for use at the pavilion.

Labor Board Foe Challenged By E. L. Oliver

Replies to Anderson's Charge That NLRB Creates 'Unrest'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—E. L. Oliver, executive vice-president of Labor's Non-Partisan League, tonight flatly challenged a statement by Rep. C. Arthur Anderson, D. Mo., that the National Labor Relations Act has encouraged industrial unrest.

Anderson, who introduced a bill last week calling for repeal of the labor law.

Declaring that Anderson's statement is "entirely incorrect," Oliver said the act has been a "most effective instrument for the peaceful establishment of democratic relations in industry through collective bargaining. He said that there has been a sharp decrease in the number of strikes since the Supreme Court validated the law."

"The way of law was substituted for the picket line," he said.

3,500 Streetcar Workers Win Montreal Fight

Catholic, Tramway Unity Forces Company to Give Up Scheme

By MARK AUREL (Special to the Daily Worker)

MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 15.—Approximately 3,500 streetcar line workers won a clear victory here this week when the Montreal Tramway Company was forced to retreat by the history-making united front of the Catholic and international tramway workers unions. The Montreal Tramways Commission decided "to defer action" on the application of the one-man street car scheme in Bordeaux and Ahuntsic wards. The schemes was scheduled to go into effect Monday.

The two unions had warned that they would call a complete stoppage if their protest against the unpopular measure was ignored.

The tramway commission's decision was reached after a two-hour conference between the two unions, the company and the commission.

In accordance with the decision, all action on the projected switch to the one-man car system will be deferred until April, 1939.

MEETING HAILS VICTORY
The victory was hailed at an overflow meeting of tramway workers at the L'Assistance Publique hall.

Amid scenes of great enthusiasm the representatives of the Catholic and international unions sitting on the speakers' platform shook hands with each other as a symbol of the unity that assured the men victory.

"Bring a gift of a day's pay to the Lenin Memorial Meeting!"

Soviet Leaders Report on 15 Years of Carrying On Lenin's Heritage at Huge Memorial Rally

C.P. Leaders Pay Tribute To Lenin in Soviet Press

Yaroslavsky Cites Stalin Fulfillment of Pledge to Carry on Work

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 22.—Soviet newspapers today published numerous articles and features commemorating the fifteenth anniversary of the death of Vladimir Ilych Lenin, great leader of the revolution.

"The new epoch in the history of mankind—the victory of the great Socialist Revolution on one-sixth of the globe—is bound up for all time with the name of Lenin," the Communist Party organ, Pravda, declared yesterday in an editorial on the 15th anniversary of the death of V. I. Lenin, founder of the USSR.

"We sacredly fulfill Lenin's bequests," says the title of an extensive article by Yemelyan Yaroslavsky, regarding Stalin's pledges at the Second All-Union Congress of Soviets, Jan. 26, 1924.

BROWDER ARTICLE

Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party of the United States, in an another article, deals with the great influence Lenin's ideas on the international proletariat and above all on the American proletariat.

Upton Sinclair, in a few brief lines, writes that all conscious people hope that the society created by Lenin will vanquish Fascism and emerge still stronger.

Jawaharlal Nehru, leader of the national movement of India, writes that Lenin's name is honored for that mighty stimulus, which it gave to the struggle of colonial peoples.

STALIN'S VOWS FULFILLED

Yaroslavsky showed how Stalin's vows to carry out Lenin's work are being fulfilled; how the Bolshevik Party, under Stalin's guidance, is advancing along the path of Marx, Engels and Lenin.

"In all countries," he said, "parties of a new type have sprung up. The enemies of Bolshevism, who are headed by the bandit Trotsky, who are led by Doriot in France, by Spaak in Belgium and by Citrine in Britain, are openly coming out in defense of Fascism."

GROWTH OF C. I.

"But the Trotskyites and their allies, the Mensheviks, and other opportunists, as well as their fascist masters, are powerless to undermine and hold back the growth of the Communist International, which is rallying the working people throughout the world, which is fighting for the united front of the working people against Fascism."

Feuchtwanger Writes On Lenin's Leadership

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 22.—In an article published in Pravda entitled, "Lenin and Socialist Humanism," Leon Feuchtwanger, famous German anti-fascist wrote in part:

"The fate of Spain, China, Czechoslovakia, and the Munich capitulation have greatly perturbed many intellectuals in the West who hitherto trustingly listened to the traditional chatter about 'humanism.' They've begun to reconsider their views on justice, democracy and liberty, meditating on foundations of Leninism."

"Ever greater sections of intellectuals in the West are throwing old idealistic theories on to the scrap heap and replacing these theories with the fine clear and realistic humanism of Lenin."

Mexico Gives Asylum to 1400 Spanish Vets

Gov't Answers Tories on Immigration of Refugee Fighters

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 22.—Answering the scurrilous commentaries of the reactionary press against the immigration to Mexico of the 1,400 veterans, members of the International Brigades who are on their way to this country, the Minister of the Interior of the Cardenas Administration, Sr. Ignacio Garcia Telles, declared yesterday:

"To cooperate with heroic Spain, the representative of all democratic institutions, seriously threatened in the essence of her national sovereignty, to aid her and to comply with the duties of gratitude to those who cannot return to their native lands without imminent danger to their lives, the Mexican Government is obliged by the humanitarian principles of hospitality which do not only link men but peoples as well in their efforts to preserve their existence and the spiritual and collective liberties inherent in them, to give to these persecuted men asylum in the territory of the Republic."

"Here they will be able to till the idle lands; here they will find bread and tranquility denied them in their own countries only because they have dared to defend the social conquests which in all epochs have dignified humanity."

SPEAKS FOR CARDENAS
Declaring that he is speaking in the name of President Cardenas, the Minister said:

"It is expected that the attitude of our government, determined by the duties of solidarity for universal peace and fraternity with the glorious Spanish people with whom we are united through the strongest links of historical tradition, be appreciated and respected."

"Mexico's hospitality will serve these men," Garcia Telles continued, "until these veterans will be able to return to their native lands when the shameful persecutions have disappeared and the indispensable guarantees for a free life have been given. The number of exiles coming to Mexico is small in comparison to those that will be received by other democratic nations who are cooperating in a peaceful solution of the bloody Spanish struggle."

MAJORITY GERMAN REFUGEES
Of the 1,400 members of the International Brigades, who have been given permission to come to this country by President Cardenas, the majority will be German and Austrian anti-fascists, it was stated here. The rest are Italians and Poles who are likewise unable to return to their home countries at present.

The exact date of the arrival of the veterans is not known as yet. They are expected to land on Mexican shores during the first days of February, however. Already the Mexican Confederation of Workers (C.T.M.), the peasants' organizations, the government and Communist parties together with all anti-fascist groups of the Republic are making preparations for an enthusiastic reception of the "Ex-combatientes de Espana Leal."

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 22.—In the very same auditorium of the Bolshoi Theatre where Joseph Stalin, on Jan. 26, 1924, vowed before the country and the working class of the world in the name of the Bolshevik Party to be true to the heritage of the great Lenin, there gathered yesterday, on the 15th anniversary of Lenin's death, those who have carried out Lenin's bequests—leaders of the Party and the Government, leaders of the Communist International, Stakhanovites and Soviet intellectuals.

On the background of the crimson curtain of the Bolshoi Theatre there was a huge portrait of Lenin bordered with heaps of flowers. The guard of honor kept changing. In the presidium sat Stalin, Kallinin, Molotov, Voroshilov, Kaganovich, Dimitroff (General Secretary of the Communist International), Zhdanov, Andreiev, Mikoyan, Shvernik (secretary of the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions), Yaroslavsky, Mekhlis (chief of the Political Department of the Red Army), Budyenny and others.

OVATION FOR STALIN

The packed hall accorded Stalin a prolonged ovation, recalling the words of Henri Barbusse that "Stalin is the Lenin of today."

Zhdanov, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, in his opening speech described Vladimir Ilyich Lenin as a brilliant thinker and revolutionary, founder of Bolshevism, organizer of the victories of the Great October Socialist Revolution and of the first Socialist Society in the world, and founder of the Communist International. The name of Lenin, Zhdanov said, is pronounced with love and his life is the pride of the world proletariat and of all oppressed peoples.

At this point the whole audience stood in honor of the departed leader and in solemn silence listened to the strains of Chopin's Funeral March. The audience then sang the International, finally breaking into stormy applause when Zhdanov declared:

"Under the banner of Lenin, under the leadership of Stalin, we went into battle for the happy life we enjoy today; under this banner the Socialist Revolution will conquer throughout the world."

STRUGGLE AGAINST TROTSKYISM

In his report on "Fifteen Years Without Lenin Along the Leninist Path," Stcherbakov, Secretary of the Moscow Party Committee, summed up the achievements of Socialism in industry. Speaking of the victories which Socialism had achieved in agriculture, he said that thanks were due the Party for fulfilling Lenin's bequests on the revolutionary alliance of the working class and the peasantry. The Communist Party, led by Stalin, Stcherbakov said, conducted an irreconcilable struggle for the purity of Leninist teachings and against Trotskyite-Bukharinite agents of capitalism in general and against fascism in particular and against all the traitors who tried to push the working class upon the path of the restoration of capitalism.

The creation of a powerful Socialist economy and of a society which knows no crisis or unemployment was possible only as a result of the mighty support rendered by the proletariat of other countries. Without this mighty proletarian solidarity, Stcherbakov said, quoting Stalin, the Soviet people could not have held out so long. But the Soviet people never forgot the attack being prepared against them by the fascist aggressors nor the capitalist encirclement."

To Boycott U.S. Oil Co.'s For Buying Nazi Pipes

A nation-wide boycott against American oil companies which have been purchasing large quantities of German pipe, sold in competition with iron and steel concerns here, will be launched shortly by the Joint Boycott Council, it was announced today.

Dr. Tenenbaum, chairman of the boycott group, declared that German manufacturers were able to cut prices from 15 to 30 per cent below prices of American producers because of government subsidies. He stated that this was part of a "vicious Nazi dumping game detrimental to American industry and in contravention of our Tariff Act which outlaws granting of subsidies to articles imported here."

The Joint Boycott Council will shortly make public a list of oil companies now dealing with Germany and will urge its supporters to stop purchases from these concerns.

China Trotskyites Aided Traitor Wang in Spy Ring

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, China, Jan. 22.—New details about the treason of Wang Ching-wei, expelled leader of the Kuomintang, reveal his years-long link with the Japanese invaders and the assistance given him by Chinese Trotskyites.

It was learned here that Wang fled China on a Japanese gunboat after flying to the coast zone.

Wang's clique of Japanese agents was bound with the Trotskyist agents of the Japanese Secret Service in China.

Chow Fo-hai, Trotskyist literary mercenary, fled China together with Wang, it was learned. Chow was the man behind the "Literary Society" organized to conceal the activity of the Trotskyists and their ringleader Cheng Tu-hsiu, who has also fled to the Japanese.

Cheng and his forces, until their flight, carried on espionage for the Japanese, several of their units being trapped while at work signaling Japanese air raiders.

They also strove to break up the national united front of the Chinese people built up under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek around the collaboration of the Kuomintang and the Communist Party.

10 Million Chinese Train In Great Army Campaign

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
CHUNGKING, Jan. 22.—Military training of virtually the entire population is being conducted in China at an intensified rate, reserves are being trained—new army resistance against Japanese aggression is being created.

For the first time in China's history recruitment of new soldiers is being conducted on the basis of general military service with preliminary training.

More than ten million Chinese are at this moment going through various aspects of training.

General Feng Yu Siang, chairman of the Military Council, in charge of training these new fighters, said here:

"I have known China's soldiers for many years, and must say that the new soldier completely differs from those which we had in our army."

"They will renovate the National Army and will raise the fighting capacity and moral spirit of the army. The new soldiers are healthy peasants with a high degree of national conscience; not less than half the new recruits are literate, before, a literate soldier was a great rarity."

Lovestone Joins Moseley in Fascists' Drive on FDR's Defense Program

By H. G.

The Lovestoneite living-link with Leon Trotsky himself, namely, the drooling Bertrand D. Wolfe, has joined the fascist chorus of assault on President Roosevelt's program of national defense against the fascist war menace.

So identical was Mr. Wolfe's line of attack on the President's security proposals that this Lovestoneite lackey picked out the most vicious anti-semitic and murder-provoking fascist he could find to quote with approval against President Roosevelt.

Gen. Van Horn Moseley, whose traitorous utterances have won him many a hell from the Nazi German press, is cited with enthusiastic endorsement by Wolfe to attack the New Deal's defense program. In last Saturday's issue of the Lovestoneite sheet, Wolfe wrote: "Fear and hysteria! General Moseley declared a few weeks ago, 'are being engendered in support of heavy expenditures for national defense.'"

LOVESTONITE-MOSELEY UNITY

What Gen. Moseley had uttered coincided so exactly with what Wolfe had written that it sums up the Lovestoneite campaign against any efforts of democracy to defend itself.

Gen. Moseley, in his Dec. 15 speech at the Waldorf-Astoria, demanded no steps be taken by this country against the Japanese aggressor in China, saying that the U. S. should "recognize her (Japan's) sphere of influence in the Far East."

He heaped ridicule on any idea

that German fascism threatens the U. S. in Latin America, concluding his address with a frontal assault on President Roosevelt's national defense program.

Against every phase of the New Deal's foreign and national defense program, Gen. Moseley's attacks are identical with that of the Lovestoneites and the Trotskyites, and whatever differences of expression there may be cover only the phrase and not the substance.

But who is this Gen. Moseley so warmly embraced by the American organ of the Bukharinites who together with the Trotskyites joined with fascist spies against the Soviet Union?

We have already mentioned the fact that the Hitler press regards this general as the leading American Fascist in army circles.

NAZIS LAUD MOSELEY

The official organ of Fritz Kuhn's Nazi Bund in the U. S., the Deutscher Weckruf und Beobachter lauds Moseley and also quotes him with the same approval as did the Lovestoneite Wolfe.

So close do the Nazis in America regard Moseley, that seldom does an issue of the Bund paper, appear without lusty hails for Moseley. The latest number, for instance, dated Jan. 12, 1939, said of Moseley, the ideological mate of Mr. Wolfe:

"The only outspoken opposition to the appointment of Felix Frankfurter to the U. S. Supreme Court comes from Major-General Van Horn Moseley, retired commander of the Third Army and the Fourth Corps Arpa. In a dispatch dated Atlanta, Jan. 6, Gen. Moseley said: 'Germany is no menace as com-

pared with the dangerous trend this nomination of Felix Frankfurter portends.'"

Of course, Gen. Moseley's views of Nazi Germany being "no menace" fully conforms to the Lovestoneite-Trotskyite theories about fascism.

But the Republican Tory press has been shielding Gen. Moseley's role from the people, and so the Lovestoneites did not think their handful of readers would discover the truth about this candidate for a Hitler role in the U. S.

The fascist Christian Free Press of Los Angeles, in its December-January issue picking the three outstanding candidates for American Hitler says:

WOLFE MAKES A CHOICE

"The men? Moseley, Coughlin, Dies." It is these men that the Christian Free Press looks to for leadership "against internationalism and Judeo-Communism."

And it is the first of these men picked by the fascists in America, that Wolfe, the Lovestoneite standard-bearer of the New Deal and of the democratic forces, chooses to quote with hearty approval.

Now an accurate measure of this Gen. Moseley was taken by the Guild Reporter (Jan. 15, 1939), official organ of the American Newspaper Guild.

Under the title: "Moseley Talks to Business of Burnings, Massacres; The Papers Skip It," the Guild Reporter revealed how the combined reactionary press hid Moseley's appeal for anti-Semitic pogroms and massacres of democratic leaders in the U. S.

Of Moseley himself, the Guild Reporter wrote:

"Since Sept. 30, Gen. Moseley, whose retirement statement made page one of many daily newspapers, has been speaking before big business, 'patriotic' anti-organizational groups usually opposed to labor and progress in government."

LOVESTONITE'S AUTHORITY

This recommendation, of course, makes him eligible to the columns of the Lovestoneite organ as an "authority" to sling mud at the New Deal program of security against Fascism.

A sample of Moseley's most violent fascist address, delivered on Dec. 14—just about the time the Lovestoneites adopted the American fascist white-horse contender—is given by the Guild Reporter. Speaking to the New York Board of Trade, the fascist general said: "Our domestic enemies (labor and the progressive forces) should be warned not to excite the wrath of patriotic America, for once these patriots go to battle they will cure the disease definitely and make those massacres now recorded in history look like peaceful church parades. In fact, if both New York and Washington were burned down tonight, it would not cause a single ripple in the America I am talking about. In fact in Washington it might be one definite way of reducing bureaucracy."

And this inciter to incendiarism holds aloft the torch of the Lovestoneites and Trotskyites in their joint campaign against America's anti-fascist forces

Wagner Spurs New Deal War On WPA Cuts

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would force more than 1,000,000 off relief rolls and that private industry would not be able to absorb more than half of them.

"Economy is always a desirable objective, but I cannot agree that it should be achieved by turning them into the streets without hope of a job and without the chance of earning a minimum of federal help in a self-respecting way," he said.

WARNS OF RECESSION

Recalling the recession that followed curtailment of government spending in October, 1936, Wagner cautioned Congress against making the same mistake again. Reversal of the present federal relief and spending policies, he said, "would be a form of national economic suicide."

(Sen. Carter Glass, blue-blooded opponent of Roosevelt's relief proposals was told, by telegram today, that the threatened dumping of a million workers off the WPA rolls would work a double hardship upon Negroes. The warning came from Walter White, secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.)

Wagner's warning came as the Senate prepared to take up the relief bill, probably within 48 hours. It will be the first Senate test of the move in the House, which began with the reduction of the relief fund and with sharp cuts in other appropriation bills.

Confident of reversing the Appropriation Committee's action in cutting the President's WPA proposals and obtaining the \$750,000,000 demanded by the President, are New Deal Democrats headed by Sen. Kenneth McKellar, of Tennessee.

Chairman Alva Adams, D., Colo., of the Senate Sub-Committee which held hearings on the relief bill, would not forecast Senate action on it.

Ralph Hetzel, Jr., unemployment director of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, who had asked for \$1,000,000,000 for relief, attacked the Committee's recommendation as a "subterfuge." In writing into the bill a provision specifying that the President can obtain additional money if an emergency arises, Hetzel said that the Committee admitted that WPA rolls should not be cut but avoided appropriating enough money to fill the "admitted" need.

Ousted Union Head To Form Dual Union

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The American Federation of Labor chose the CIO-organized, textile industry today for invasion.

The plan to attack the CIO was made here today during a conference of AFL leaders, called by Francis J. Gorman, ousted head of the United Textile Workers. The UTW was expelled from the AFL when it affiliated with the CIO.

3 Killed in Utah Plane Crash Landing

PROVO, Utah, Jan. 22 (UP).—Three persons were killed today when a privately-owned airplane crashed while attempting to land. The dead were: Charles T. Corbell, manager of the Provo airport, his wife, and Leonard Thatcher.

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UAW BOARD SEEKS UNITY ON CIO PROGRAM FOR PARLEY AS HEARST-COUGHLIN BACK MARTIN DRIVE TO SPLIT UNION

[The following article gives a picture of the destructive role that Homer Martin has played in the United Auto Workers Union. It will give the reader an understanding of why the Executive Board was compelled to advance the date of the regular convention and of what is behind Martin's latest attempt (taken after this article was written) to call a rump convention and split the union.]

By B. K. Gebert

DETROIT, Jan. 21.—The unanimous decision of the International Executive Board of the United Auto Workers to advance the date of its regular convention from August to March 30, 1939, in the city of Cleveland, concerns not only the auto workers and the CIO, but the entire labor and progressive movement throughout the country.

It is an event of the greatest importance as it means a decisive struggle between the progressive forces, on one hand, and on the other, the forces of reaction, artificially stimulated by the enemies of the people.

The United Auto Workers Union came into existence as a mass organization of the auto workers a little over two years ago, when through the heroic wave of sit-down strikes, particularly in the General Motors plants, unionism was brought into this outstanding open-shop industry of the country.

Not only was General Motors forced to sign an agreement with the union and recognize the shop steward system, improve working conditions, increase wages, etc., but at the same time, the might of the workers was disclosed. Here was a young industry with a young working class, dominated by the powerful corporations—and the workers were victorious. This victory was obtained thanks to the unity in the ranks of the workers and, above all, to the guidance and leadership given this new, promising organization by the CIO.

FORD DRIVE SET

The majority of the auto workers were brought under the banner of the U.A.W. Only the Ford Motor Company remained unorganized. The Milwaukee convention of the U.A.W. in August, 1937, set as its next main objective the organization of Ford, the unionization of the entire auto industry, including aircraft, and took steps toward a national agreement covering the entire industry.

That objective could have been accomplished by now had it not been for the fact that the Milwaukee convention elected as president of the union one of the most irresponsible men known to the labor movement in recent years, Homer Martin. A former

minister, who knew very little about the industry, Martin had been a worker only for a short time in one of the small plants in Kansas. But the worst of it was that he selected, as his advisers, agents of fascism—Lovestonites and Trotskyites. These agents of fascism could not become interested in the organization of the Ford Motor Co. Henry Ford himself is an autocrat over a vast industrial empire. He recently received from Herr Hitler a decoration of which King Henry Ford is very proud. To attack a friend of Hitler cannot be the objective of the agents of fascism.

It is obvious that under such leadership the union could not make the next necessary advances. But the whole policy of Homer Martin's administration, under the guidance of the Lovestonites, was a policy that violated all the legitimate practices of the trade union movement and endangered contractual relations with the employers. For instance, Lester Washburn of Lansing, Michigan, a member of the National Council of the Lovestonites group and a member of the International Executive Board of the U.A.W., ordered what was known as a "labor holiday" in Lansing. This action on the part of a Lovestonite, endorsed by President Homer Martin, revealed him as an irresponsible executive and thus cast reflections upon the union as a whole.

NEW PROBLEMS, OLD SOLUTIONS

Martin's representatives, his appointed organizers and other agents did not interest themselves in solving the problems as they grew out of the new conditions developing within the industry, namely proper union relations with the employers. The irresponsible actions of Martin's henchmen resulted in many unauthorized actions which hurt the union, although the union was never responsible for them.

The whole administration of Martin was one of inner factional manipulations with only one purpose: how to control the International Executive Board and the local unions. If there were people who opposed the wrong policies of Martin, they were removed arbitrarily by him. One example of this was in the summer of 1938 when four vice-presidents and the secretary-treasurer of the union, unanimously elected at the International Convention at Milwaukee, were removed from their posts and reinstated only when the majority of the board refused to follow Martin and his union-wrecking policies. Later, Martin proceeded to appoint administrators over those local unions which opposed his anti-union activities. Such was the case in the Plymouth local when Martin led a mob of 500

to storm the headquarters of the union, smashing furniture, taking over records and local union property. This was only one of many similar instances.

MARTIN SEEKS ALLIES

Knowing only too well that he did not have the support of the majority either of the union's membership or of the Executive Board, Martin looked for allies outside the ranks of the auto workers. As we have pointed out, he took in Lovestonites and Trotskyites as his advisers and gave them posts until practically the entire staff of the International Union consisted of these people. Then he proceeded to work with the pro-fascist Father Coughlin, Martin not only discussed the inner union situation with Coughlin—a violation of all the ethics of the labor movement—but even had Coughlin help organize support for him. Father Coughlin's official organ Social Justice constantly attacks the U.A.W. and the CIO and its leadership, while praising Martin to the sky. Of Martin's recent activities, Father Coughlin's paper declared:

"Martin, who reported to the Dies Committee that Communists sought to disrupt orderly union processes with a view to gaining control, led a group of 500 U.A.W. men who stormed Schiller Hall, meeting place of the Communist-dominated Plymouth U.A.W. local. The group seized the local's records and papers, and Martin ousted all officers."

The Hearst papers, which are waging a bitter struggle against the Newspaper Guild in Chicago, have also rallied to Martin's side. The Detroit Times, a Hearst paper, declared in an editorial on Jan. 17:

"Homer Martin's Fight—Good citizens of Michigan will applaud the fight being made by Homer Martin, to eliminate from the U.A.W. the corrosive influences of Communism."

The Black Legion element, too, has joined in supporting Martin. In the Plymouth local, silver bullets have been placed on the benches where good union men were working for the purpose of intimidating them. Martin has backed all anti-union elements and encouraged secession propaganda within the union. So much so, that even the Detroit News, by no means a friend of the CIO, has editorially pointed out that the name of Homer Martin is connected with secession talk within the U.A.W.

RED-BAITING IS WEAPON

Everybody who disagrees with Homer Martin has been called a Communist. That seems to be the standard argument of every enemy of unionism and progress.

It reached a point where even people whom Martin himself had

appointed to office but who later disagreed with him, were called Communists. The outstanding instance is the case of the officers of Local 600 which has jurisdiction over the Ford Motor plant in Dearborn. Martin charged publicly that those who would appear before the board to testify about his dealings with Harry Bennett, Ford's right-hand man, were Communists and that "the board will listen to the stories of their comrades." The people involved here were Percy Lilwell, president of the Ford local; Roy Davis, local executive board member, and Paul Ste. Marie, local recording secretary. These three union members and leaders replied to Martin with the following statement:

"We deny the ridiculous charges of Homer Martin that we are Communists. No one believes these charges and they have become very commonplace and Martin uses them against anyone who happens to disagree with him."

"We are interested merely in the welfare of the Ford workers and in organizing the Ford plant, the last citadel of the open-shop in the auto industry, and we are also interested in carrying out the democratic will of the membership of the U.A.W. as expressed in the decisions of the U.A.W. board."

"We are recent appointees of President Martin to the offices we hold in the Ford local No. 600 but since we have disagreed with President Martin's policies, especially his secret meetings with Harry Bennett, he immediately calls us Communists."

There is so much interest in the UAW on the part of the reactionaries because this union represents a powerful factor for progress and for the advancement of the general interests of the people. Weakening the UAW would mean weakening the democratic forces of the nation.

UNITY IS NEEDED

The encouragement that Martin gets from all anti-union sources and from allies of fascism, like Father Coughlin, Hearst and Harry Bennett, must also be attributed to the division within the labor movement itself. The lack of unity has its effect in that it permits speculation about bringing the A. F. of L. into the auto industry a move which would lead to a further division of the auto workers and a strengthening of the camp of reaction.

Every constructive force, everybody who wants to see collective bargaining remain in the industry and who wants to see a solidified, united labor movement, must support the International Executive Board and the CIO. We are quite confident that the verdict of the membership of the UAW will be for the CIO, progress, the improvement of the conditions of the auto workers, the organization of Ford—and, therefore, for a powerful blow against those forces who are attempting to divide the UAW and advance against the people on many fronts.

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Lawyers Guild Urges End of Dies Group

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and women, American labor unions and numerous other organizations engaged in credible and nowise un-American activities, in that it has engaged in electioneering to defeat New Deal candidates and to elect their opponents in the recent general elections, in that it has branded as un-American distinguished citizens in and out of public life, describing them as dupes or decoys and insinuating that they have been guilty of subversive activity without the slightest foundation, in that it has conducted its hearings with complete disregard to the elementary rules of evidence, permitting testimony consisting of surmise, conjecture, hearsay and unsupported opinion, and in that it has prejudged the persons and organizations which it was investigating, in public pronouncements receiving wide publicity, without giving the individuals and organizations an opportunity to be heard in their own defense, in that it has permitted itself to be used for exploitation and personal glorification of the chairman and of the members of the Committee, and finally in that it has willfully spread propaganda to discredit social policies and governmental agencies to which its members were opposed.

1.—That we urge the resolution to continue the Dies Committee be disapproved and that no further funds be appropriated to it, and

2.—That we urge Congress to request the Department of Justice to carry on an investigation of un-American and subversive activities, toward the end that evidence thereof be presented to the Grand Jury and the offenders be vigorously prosecuted; or if evidence which may be disclosed is not of

Wage-Hour Official Raps Pecan Co. Pay

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machinery installed since the Fair Labor Standards Act became effective last Oct. 24.

CLOSED PLANT

Seligman closed down his plants the day the law went into effect, announcing that he could not pay the minimum fixed by Congress. They have since been reopened partially.

"The conditions prevailing in this part of the industry are precisely those which Congress stated, in Section 2, were to be eliminated by the Fair Labor Standards Act," Vincent said.

"Those conditions are: starvation wages; child labor; wretched housing and living conditions with attendant ill health; degradation and inefficiency; unsanitary working conditions; and dissatisfaction leading to labor disputes and strikes."

HITS "MEAGER WAGES"

Vincent said that the "meager wages" of Seligman's employees "were insufficient to meet the lowest standards of civilized life" and that "WPA relief, church aid, and private charity have had to bridge the gap between their slender earnings and starvation."

"While public tax funds have footed a part of this labor cost, the industry has not been depressed or unable to meet its social and economic responsibility to the community," he added.

UAW Locals Back Board; Defy Martin

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people not members of the Plymouth Local, among them Lovestonite Morris Silverman, who attempted to break up the meeting and was properly taken care of by the workers.

Martin with the assistance of Reading's police occupied the headquarters of the international union Saturday and is holding it at the present time. The International Executive Board through its legal counsel is taking steps to recover the union office.

FEW RESPOND TO MARTIN

Homer Martin called a national meeting of presidents of local unions this morning. Very few local presidents responded. Those who did were merely a caucus of organizers for Martin. This meeting more than anything else exposed the weakness of Martin in the local unions.

There is no question that the membership overwhelmingly supports the International Executive Board and condemns and repudiates union-splitter Martin and his allies.

Failing to get the support of the local unions, Martin and his Lovestonite-Bennett-Coughlin-Black Legion caucus have organized trump meetings in a number of cities. These meetings have not attracted much attention on the part of union members and in many cases have been attended by non-union people.

70 Are Trapped in Insurance Frauds

Bernard Botwin, special investigator, who is probing insurance payroll frauds, declared yesterday that 70 employers and fund auditors had been indicted and \$344,034.98 recovered since his appointment six months ago to check up on chiselers.

TEN DAYS IN ONE

WE ASK every Communist Party member, every friend, to do ten days' work today. We need immediate action.

Our Fund Drive is tens of thousands of dollars below our State needs. This endangers some of our plans for the Party training schools. Yet we must meet the need for developing Party organizers and educators. The situation calls for extending the schools.

Our upstate organizers, in vital basic industries and in the great farm areas, are working under tremendous handicaps. We must have money to help support organizational and educational work upstate, where our Party is relatively weak.

These are facts. Answer them by fulfilling the State quota. We need the money to meet our budget. Between now and tonight's Lenin Memorial Meeting, raise every penny you can! Come to the meeting prepared to contribute what you have collected. Come, with a gift of a day's pay for the Communist Party!

Ten days' work in one! Let's have action!

Complete the State Budget

ISRAEL AMTER, Chairman
CHARLES KRUMBEIN, Secretary
Communist Party, N. Y. State.

Women of Today

By SADIE VAN VEEN

PLEASE SIR," cried little Oliver in Charles Dickens story "Oliver Twist." "I want more." The head of the boys' charity institute of Dickens' England was speechless with amazement and rage. He called the "beadle," who frightened little Oliver out of his wits by telling him that he was an ungrateful wretch and that he would surely hang for his inhumanity.

There are millions of little Olivers and Jennies and Kates in America today. They are America's children. If the Washington "beadles" such as Senators Glass, Tydings, Vandenberg and Taft have their way and chop \$150,000,000 from WPA appropriation, the children of a million families will in a few days be saying "Please I want my dinner—but there won't be any. The little American Oliver will say "I want more—I'm hungry!" How will Mother or Father or Big Sister, now supporting the family on WPA, answer the cry of the children?

If they use the arguments of the Washington bories, they will say—"Well, you see, children, the budget had to be balanced, so they gave Dad a pink slip and took away his job." "You see," Mother would say, "The President didn't want to give us a pink slip; he wanted to balance the budget in some other way. He really wants the rich people to balance it." "Well, the children would answer, "Why don't the rich people balance it then? We don't want to balance the budget—we're hungry."

"Let the Rich Do the Balancing"

They don't know and perhaps their parents don't know that Wall Street collected in fat dividends and interest since 1933, the enormous fortune of 25 billion dollars. Look at this staggering sum in figures, \$25,000,000,000.

The children are right. Let the rich do the balancing.

But the Wall Street barons are greedy and cruel.

They salt away billions. They frankly say they won't play ball unless they can make all the rules and do business without government interference, which means to starve the unemployed to the point where they will accept starvation wages.

While they spend millions on yachts, horses, "coming out parties," they have the impudence to tell the President that WPA and relief must be cut. They are already talking of reducing WPA appropriation to \$500,000,000.

Back in the dark days of Hoover, before the advent of Federal relief and WPA, the unemployed organized and marched and demonstrated their ability to fight for themselves and their kids. And now the time has come again.

This is the United States, 1939. We refuse to go backward. We go ahead in the American way and we take our stand with the President and the New Deal. On Saturday, January 28, in answer to the call of the Citizens Committee for Jobs and Recovery, the mothers of New York will march thousands strong. Women have always fought for the protection of their young. This is the time to take a determined stand to save all the WPA jobs.

All the little Johns and Jennies and Kates must be properly fed, clothed and sheltered and their mothers and big sisters as well. They must all join the big parade next Saturday at 10 A.M. at Washington Square.

No cut in W.P.A.

Understanding Your Child

By Child Psychology Board

I GUESS we'll have biology next year." "Gee, I'd hate to be the Biology teacher!" her friend answered and giggled.

These 14-year olds who were overheard were, like all adolescents, much interested in their bodies but pretty shy of asking intimate questions of themselves. In a survey of adolescent interests that was recently made, typical questions were: "Why can't some women have babies?" "How do you know when you're in love?" "How can we find better words to use if we have to talk about such things?" "Can you have sexual intercourse without causing pregnancy?"

Physical changes during adolescence cause considerable anxiety to youngsters. The children to whom these changes come need assurance as to whether they are growing normally. The important thing is that during this period they need understanding parents and teachers who know that tremendous changes have occurred in the children's bodies, sometimes over a period of years and sometimes almost overnight.

Sympathy of Parents Needed

Friendships with the opposite sex is the usual expression of sexual interest at this age. A wise parent sympathizes with his son's attention to a girl friend because that attention is a part of his son's healthy growth. There are also many other adult characteristics that adolescents naturally take on, such as dressing up and smoking. Of course this does not mean that they really believe they're adult. Usually they are still uncertain about their development.

When Mary spends more time with Bill than with her Latin lesson, parents sometimes become anxious. How far should such friendship develop at the age of 16? Is it right to try to stop it? How intimate can you let such children be if they're not to get into "trouble"?

Now, these children don't want to get into trouble. They do want to prepare themselves for mature relations, sexual or otherwise. But parents are prone to be too strict about their children's friendships, because they want to prevent "trouble." This strictness really increases the child's worry instead of relieving it, and then it is much harder for him to understand what his friends mean to him, and whether or not he should keep the ones he has.

As we have said in previous columns, the adolescent is quick to rebel against domination—he senses it quickly because he wants to be "his own boss." A lack of sympathy for his need for social relations with girls will make him uneasy, perhaps resentful, and then he becomes less and less able to accept his parents' advice, no matter how good the advice may be, nor how "well-meaning" the parent is.

Sit Down and Talk to Them

Some adolescents understand themselves and are able to accept the idea of waiting for mature sex relations until they're older. Other children have a harder time, even though they may not say so, and may even express this difficulty in a different way, as if it had nothing to do with their sexual curiosity. It is these boys and girls who should be helped by their parents. A little friendly talk now and then about his friends, about what he expects from them or can give them, should help the adolescent feel that his parent understands his needs. Then, of course, he's so much more willing to tell his troubles. Recently a 13-year old girl told me, "There's so much I'd like to talk to mother about, but I just can't, because she doesn't..."

Let's accept the fact that the adolescent does have a genuine interest in sex, which is an expression of love, and which is part of a larger interest in human relations; that boy-girl friendships should be encouraged. Adolescents will be glad to act reasonably if parents trust them. Our social set-up makes it unwise for them to satisfy their sexual interest as fully as they might like to; but helpful parents may at least encourage the other interests of the child, whether it be in aeroplanes or Greek dances or stamp-collecting. And when the adolescent feels accepted as a whole person, accepted for what he is and what he wishes to be, he will not be likely have an excessive interest in sex.

French Police Nab German and Italian Spies

PARIS, Jan. 22 (UP).—A special counter-espionage brigade of the Surete Nationale at Lyons today arrested one German, three Italians and two Frenchmen in what was described as a clean-up of spies in the southeastern region.

The German, Thomas Heller, 19-year-old student, was arrested at

Grenoble. Authorities said he confessed to procuring military secrets for a foreign power while staying in France after leaving the military academy in Vienna.

The Italian, Pierri Castell, coal merchant, was arrested at Chambéry after long surveillance. Police said they learned he had made frequent trips abroad where he was supposed to have reported to superiors on work consisting mainly of recruiting additional spies in France. Arrested with him were two Frenchmen, Edouard Calcinotti and Victor Champlon. Two Italians also were arrested at Annecy.

Urge Renewed Tin-Foil Drive For Spain Aid

Helen Horton, manager of the warehouse of the Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, 14 Wooster Street, New York City, today issued an appeal for an intensive tin-foil and clothing campaign.

"Contributions of tin-foil have slackened," she said, "because of the misapprehension of many that we are no longer asking for this material. During the past two years we have been able to realize considerable money from the sale of tin-foil. The need for clothing has become more urgent. Thousands of children are suffering from the severe winter."

All contributions should be brought or sent to the warehouse which conducts a pick-up service with its trucks.

State CIO Acts To Stop Tory Drive on TWU

Parley on Thurs. to Map Fight on Reactionary Wicks Bill

The full resources of the 500,000 members of the CIO in this State are expected to be thrown behind a campaign to stop a Tory inspired attack upon the Transport Workers Union, through Republican Senator Arthur H. Wicks, in the Albany Legislature, it was announced yesterday.

All presidents, secretaries and legislative representatives of the CIO have been called upon to attend a conference to prepare the battle lines, next Thursday, Jan. 26, at 8 P.M. at the TWU headquarters, at 153 West 64th St.

A letter to all outstanding CIO leaders has been sent jointly by Allan S. Haywood, president of the New York State Industrial Council, and secretary-treasurer of the Council, Gustave A. Strebel.

WARNING ON WICKS BILL

The letter, outlining the nature of the reactionary attack against the transport workers, in part read:

"An upstate Republican, Arthur H. Wicks has introduced in the State Senate a 'bill service' bill for employees of municipally owned or operated transit lines. "If enacted into law, the Wicks Bill will jeopardize the jobs of 29,000 I.R.T. and B.M.T. employees who have given long years of service to the people of the City of New York. Many will be completely deprived of employment, and all will be robbed of their seniority rights, a right not recognized by civil service regulations. All these employees are members of the Transport Workers Union which has closed shop contracts with the B.M.T. and I.R.T. companies.

"Similar efforts at wrecking the Transport Workers Union and collective bargaining rights for New York transit workers were made in the State Legislature in 1938. Effective mobilization of organized labor throughout the state stopped it then, and once again we must put up a concerted fight against such attempts.

"Accordingly, we are requesting the President, Secretary and Legislative Representative of all C.I.O. local unions, Internationals and joint boards in Greater New York to meet and confer with the officers of the New York State Industrial Union Council on plans for a campaign against the Wicks Bill and its proponents. The conference will be held Thursday, January 26, 1939, at 8 P.M. at the headquarters of the Transport Workers Union, 153 West 64th Street. It is of the utmost importance that your organization be fully represented at this conference."

How to Help Build The Party Upstate

Have you ever been north of Tarrytown? Have you ever spent some time upstate? We don't mean on a vacation. We mean as an active Communist Party member.

If you have, you can probably imagine what it means to be an upstate organizer.

You've got your problems. The Gannett newspapers, rabid anti-New Deal sheets, have a practical monopoly of the press. Out of 108,000 votes for Amter in the recent elections, only 5,000 came from upstate. But the electorate is evenly divided between New York City and the rest of the State.

We owe a debt to our comrades upstate. They are fighting all sorts of odds to build a strong Communist Party and a broad progressive movement. In their territory are many of the basic industries of the State, the great farm population.

ONLY A FEW READERS

These comrades look to us for support. And we cannot help them sufficiently because we have not yet completed our State Fund Drive quota. We are thousands of dollars short of completing that budget. Upstate needs that money!

The Party upstate is small. Sec-

CIO Wins Jobs, Back-Pay for 6 Edison Men

More Than \$22,000 in Full Pay Returned; 3-Year Fight Ends

Ending a three-year fight for reinstatement, six Consolidated Edison System employees, members of the CIO-Amalgamated Utility Workers, returned to their jobs this morning without loss of seniority rights and other privileges, including full back pay totaling more than \$22,000.

The men were reinstated on the basis of a decision issued by the NLRB, which was upheld by the U. S. Supreme Court early last month. The company's contention that it did not come under the jurisdiction of the Wagner Act was denied by the court.

The employees affected by the high court's ruling are: Martin Wersing of Long Island City; Jay Greulich, Flushing; Michael Wagner and John Emmer of Maspeth; William J. Kennedy, College Point; and Stephen Solosy, Astoria.

With the exception of Solosy, all are employees of the New York & Queens Electric Light & Power Company. Wersing, Greulich and Wagner reported to the accounting department, Emmer and Kennedy, who are linemen, reported to the Elmhurst Overhead Bureau. Solosy returned to his former post in the gas division of the parent company, 4 Irving Place, N. Y. C.

With the disposition of the current case, the CIO union, through Harry J. Straub, organizational director, announced that steps have already been taken to press a second unfair labor practice complaint against Consolidated.

This second case, it was stated, will demand the reinstatement of more than 175 system employees allegedly discharged for union activities.

Marian Anderson Gets 1938 Spingarn Medal

Great Negro Singer to Be Honored at NAACP Conference July 2; Hailed for Outstanding Contributions to Negro People in '38

Marian Anderson, world famous Negro Contralto, has been named to receive the Spingarn Medal for 1938 awarded annually by J. E. Spingarn, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, "for the highest or noblest achievement by an American Negro during the preceding year or years."

The formal statement of the committee declared: "Marian Anderson has been chosen for her special achievement



MARIAN ANDERSON

ment in the field of music. Equally with that achievement, which has won her world-wide fame as one of the greatest singers of our time, is her magnificent dignity as a human being. Her unassuming manner, which has not been changed by her phenomenal success, has added to the esteem not

FIRST AMERICAN RELIEF SHIP



The cargo of food and clothing shipped on the Erica Reed is now being distributed in Barcelona. But more is needed immediately.

Plead for More Food, Clothing Aid to Spain

Erica Reed Relief Cargo Being Distributed in Barcelona; North American Committee Head Tells of Urgent Needs in Crisis

Clothing shipped to Spain on the first American Relief Ship is now being distributed in Madrid, according to a cablegram from Constance Kyle, representative of the Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, 381 Fourth Avenue, in which she appealed for more food and clothing to relieve severe conditions there.

Her cablegram reads, "Freezing cold, no fuel, distributing Erica Reed clothing here in Madrid. Seventy-five thousand Madrid children under six years need food, milk and bread. Young girls and women are volunteering to work a twelve hour schedule in factories and offices, replacing men going to the front in the general mobilization. Food for these women is urgent."

The Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy is now conducting

an emergency campaign for funds with which to send food immediately to Spain. The Committee states that funds received are cable to Paris so that within five days, food reaches Barcelona.

Julio Jaraque, Executive Secretary of the Presidency of the Basque Government in Barcelona, in a letter to the Medical Bureau and North American Committee received yesterday stated that mass was held for the committee in the Church for the Basques in Barcelona.

His letter reads: "I take pleasure in telling you of a Thanksgiving Mass held last Sunday, November 27th at 9 A.M. in the Chapel of the Basques for the safe arrival of the food ship which the North American people had the kindness to send for aid to the Spanish civil population and especially for the refugees."

Church Groups Hit Aggressors; Urge Neutrality Revision

Peace Union, World Alliance for International Friendship Cite Act as Aid to Fascists; Calls for Religious Drive on Change

Revision of the neutrality act to hit the aggressors was urged today by the Church Peace Union and the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches.

The statement adopted by the Executive Committee and Trustees of both these religious bodies urges revision of the Neutrality Act "to provide that when the Government finds a state to be engaged in aggressive war in violation of a treaty to which the United States is a party, the Government shall place an embargo on all war materials, primary and secondary, against that state alone."

Trustees of the Church Peace Union and members of the World Alliance Executive Committee endorsing the statement included the Rt. Rev. G. Ashton Oldham, Dr. Robert E. Speer, Bishop James Cannon, Jr., Dr. Henry A. Atkinson, Mrs. Edgerton Parsons, Dr. Arthur J. Brown, Mr. Charles L. Marburg, Hon. Henry Morgenthau, Hon. Carl Sherman, Dr. Roger T. Noe, Dr. Shailer Mathews, Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, Dr. James R. Joy, Rev. Charles D. Trexler, and Dr. Robert C. Dexter.

"We maintain," said these Church spokesmen, "that direct or indirect aid to a state engaged in aggressive war is not in keeping with the principles of international friendship. Such aid is an unfriendly act to the victims of aggression, to the potential victims of further aggressions, including our own country, and, in a real sense, to the people of the aggressor state. Aid to aggression is participation in aggression, and is the negation of true international friendship."

"Because we believe in these things, and because we are unalterably opposed to war, we hold that the Neutrality Act needs to be revised, for its present provisions tend to give psychological and economic aid to states engaged in or threatening aggressive war. These provisions give aid by putting the aggressor and his victim on the same footing. They make no distinction between nations who keep their plighted word and those who do not. They make us appear not to care what peoples are oppressed nor how many helpless men, women, and children are killed, so long as we are left alone.

"We are glad to note the growing sentiment in this country in favor of such a policy. We call upon all religious groups to give earnest consideration to this proposal for bringing American foreign policy into greater harmony with the principles of international friendship and cooperation in which we believe."

1,323 Claims for Lives Lost in N. Y. Industry in 1938

ALBANY, Jan. 21 (UP).—The State Labor Department revealed today that 1,323 claims for benefits were submitted by dependents of workers who lost their lives while employed in industries throughout the state last year.

The 1938 total was 129 below the previous year's. The fatalities included 345 in the manufacturing industry; 272 service; 199 construction; 165 trade; 147 transportation and 117 public employment.

Sixty per cent, or 805 of the deaths occurred in the New York City industrial area.

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Urge the Quickest Action to Lift the Embargo

Stacked up high before Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Senate and House foreign affairs committee chairmen are tens of thousands of appeals urging the immediate lifting of the embargo on Loyalist Spain.

For instance, so wide has the demand become that the U. S. forthwith lift the barriers to means of defense for Spanish democracy that we find among the prominent names urging such action Henry L. Stimson, former Secretary of State, and Vicente Lombardo Toledano.

Another creditable report has it that officials of the Chilean Popular Front Government has requested the U. S. to lift the embargo.

In short, the issue has not only stirred the American people, it is arousing the whole Western Hemisphere concerned for its own defense against fascism in the menace of the present Chamberlain-Mussolini offensive.

The National Lawyers Guild has already pointed out that the President has the power to lift the embargo, a contention confirmed by Mr. Stimson. The President should exercise that authority without any hesitation.

The fascist hordes, led by Italian divisions invading Spain and murdering its civilian population are not hesitating a moment. The urgency of the situation demands quick action.

American security compels it. Rush your appeals to President Roosevelt and to your Congressman NOW urging immediate action to help the heroic Spanish people shield themselves from the ferocious fascist offensive.

The People Can 'Change the Picture'

Not by a long shot is it a foregone conclusion (as the reactionary press would have it) that the Senate Tories can get away with their brutal attack on the unemployed by upholding the \$150,000,000 House relief cut. While it is true that the reactionaries on the Senate Appropriations Committee have okayed the cut and endorsed the figure of \$725,000,000, the fight still has to come up on the Senate floor today. The people can still score a great victory.

And the news stories yesterday, even in such papers as the New York Times, show the "picture might be changed next week" once labor and the people get going in the biggest way. A Times item to this effect quoting an unnamed Washington official, read:

"He said that Mayors, relief organizations and other interested parties undoubtedly would exert strong pressure for an increase in the appropriation and would sway some votes."

Quite true. Pressure from the CIO, the A. F. of L., the Railroad Brotherhoods, liberals and the people in general, has already resulted in some of the anti-New Deal diatribes changing their tune somewhat. At first, Tory Democrats such as Pat Harrison and Carter Glass allied with the Hoover Republicans, talked about cutting Pres. Roosevelt's original figure of \$875,000,000 to \$600,000,000, that is, even below the sliced figure of the House reactionaries.

Now, at least, the Senate Appropriations Committee dared not make another cut, and, indeed, was forced to make other, though minor, concessions. But it is necessary that the people keep up the pressure in order that the Tories don't successfully renew their relief slicing tricks.

And more than that: now that the people see how their power counts, it is necessary to turn this power on full blast so that the \$150,000,000 cut from President Roosevelt's original figure can be restored. The fate of one million WPA families and national recovery are both involved. Send your Senator (and Congressman) a wire or letter today. Let him know that the American people have just begun to fight!

Strong Words—But Not Too Strong

The words of Rep. Kent E. Keller (D., Ill.), denouncing the un-American Dies Committee and urging its discontinuance, unquestionably reflected the opinion of every progressive American. On a nationwide hook-up last Saturday, Rep. Keller proposed that Congress deny Fuehrer Dies' request for funds, and said of the Dies outfit:

"It has violated all the canons of common sense, all the rules of congressional decency and all the examples set by previous congressional committees."

He charged further the Dies outfit had summoned witnesses "without regard for their credibility, and that no attempt was made to establish their reliability. He spoke

James W. Ford Says Mooney Victory Aids Fight to Free Scottsboro Boys

(In the article below, Ford, noted Negro Communist leader, shows the relationship between the Tom Mooney case and the struggle to free the Scottsboro boys, emphasizing that the freedom of Mooney inspires and aids the fight to free the 5 remaining Scottsboro boys. The article consists of excerpts from Ford's popular book, "The Negro and the Democratic Front," which was written and published before Mooney became a free man.)

By James W. Ford

FOR years in this country sinister forces have tried to crush free speech, free press and free assembly. In California these forces have been sufficiently strong to force through the legislature many reactionary measures, the most infamous of which is the criminal syndicalism law. This law is supposed to apply to those who advocate violence to bring about social or economic change, or revolution. But instead of being applied to those who actually practice every form of violence against the toiling masses, it has been used exclusively as a means of framing-up workers whose only crime was to organize for better conditions. Thus we have the spectacle of the very people who violate all provisions of the syndicalism law, using it against those who are innocent of any violation either by word or deed. In California also, Tom Mooney remained in jail after twenty-two years, in spite of the fact that the whole world knew he was innocent of the crime charged against him, and when it was equally well known that those who prosecuted him were criminals, whose acts would disgrace any society in the world.

Further evidence of the contribution to fascism of the ruling clique of this state was the action of a governor of California, publicly defending a shameful lynching as an admirable deed. These laws that are supposed to apply to those who advocate violence do not—in spite of the Hearst press and other reactionary and fascist-minded elements—apply to the labor movement or to our Communist Party.

FOUR of the Scottsboro boys, Eugene Williams, Roy Wright, Olen Montgomery and Willie Robertson, were freed, under condition of exile from the state of Alabama.

The first partial victory in the Scottsboro case was won. Lessons gained in the united front defense go back to the San Francisco general strike in 1934. At that time the International Labor Defense successfully initiated a united front of the most varied elements in the fight against vigilantes. A united committee, including the American Civil Liberties Union and Socialist organizations, was formed on the initiative of the I.L.D., as a national center for the fight against the vigilante terror which was unleashed against the strikers. This was the first step in the series of developments which have reached their greatest heights so far in the Scottsboro fight. For the first time the most diversified elements, some of them representing fundamental divergences in political viewpoints, were united on a specific defense issue.

The most outstanding complete victory of the united front has been the freeing of Angelo Herndon. Except for the Scottsboro and Mooney-Billings cases, broader forces—involving literally millions of people in specific united action through their organizations and individually—were brought into this united front than on any other issue.

This campaign forced the United States Supreme Court to free Angelo Herndon, and nullify the Georgia slave insurrection law under which he had been sentenced from 18 to 20 years on the Georgia chain-gang. The national tour of the reproduction of the chain-gang, the circulation of the Herndon petitions which were signed by two million people



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through the agency of scores and hundreds of the most diverse organizations, involving the Socialist Party in united action with the Communist Party, the Young People's Socialist League, the American Federation of Labor, the National Negro Congress, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, all unemployed organizations, church groups and organizations, the Y.W.C.A., monster mass meetings held for Herndon in every part of the country, the formation of local Herndon committees on a scale even broader than the National Committee to Aid the Herndon Defense—these are highlights in the Herndon campaign.



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paign which illustrate in the most graphic and dramatic manner the power of the united front.

The Mooney-Billings case is another outstanding example. In this case the I.L.D. has acted as a basic moving force in developing the campaign which has joined the A. F. of L. and CIO forces, together with liberals and professionals in struggle. In the recent struggle against the mistreatment of Tom Mooney in San Quentin prison, the I.L.D. was one of the main agencies through which a nationwide campaign was organized, and which forced the prison authorities to change their tactics, although they had already mistreated him to the point where his life was in danger. The I.L.D. is in close cooperation with the Mooney-Molders Defense Committee, organizing a new campaign to force action by the Governor and the State Supreme Court of California for Mooney's freedom. The visit of Vito Marcantonio, president of the I.L.D., to California, on invitation of the Mooney Committee, did much to crystallize and unify the fight for Mooney and the state.

The Sacramento and criminal syndicalism campaigns, the de Jonge, Putah and Simpson cases, are outstanding examples of the power of the I.L.D. to initiate and develop the united front.

IN THE Scottsboro campaign we have an outstanding example of the effectiveness of united ac-

tion in winning victory. The united Scottsboro Defense Committee undertook responsibility for the work of conducting the defense. The organizations supporting this committee—although with varying degrees of energy and initiative, and at times with hesitations or reservations—on concrete measures brought much wider circles into concerted effort which has resulted so far in the freedom of four of the boys.

United action—continued, developed and extended with renewed vigor—is necessary for the winning of freedom for all the remaining boys. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's branches throughout the country, many of which were already involved in the campaign, were involved in larger numbers by the establishment of the united committee. Socialists, liberals, civil liberties groups, trade unions, fraternal organizations, church and religious organizations, and many others within the sphere of influence of the organizations in the Scottsboro Defense Committee, were brought into action through the establishment of the united front. The working relationship with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, established in the Scottsboro case, is an outstanding example, and the N.A.A.C.P. and its speakers in many cases have played the key role of the I.O.D.

The most important lessons to be learned from our united front experiences in defense are the necessity for alertness and vigor in conducting this work; the



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need for patient, untiring effort to win united action on specific issues the broadest elements of the people, no matter how sharply they may differ from us on other questions and the importance of a conviction of the correctness of our united front policies. These policies have been proved in action. The victories of united action in the Scottsboro and other cases were not accomplished overnight, nor was the work easy.

The partial victories gained in the fight for freedom of the Scottsboro boys stand before us. The Supreme Court was forced to affirm the right of Negroes to sit on juries, although this is still denied in practice, and can be realized only by united struggle of progressive forces. Nobody can deny that among the white masses there is growing tolerance on the Negro question, that among large sections of whites the persecution of the Negro people as exemplified in the Scottsboro case has awakened strong ideals. They are beginning to see the Negro people as a noble and great people.

The Communist Party is proud of the leading part it has played in these achievements. Few have understood the contribution and the change that came over large sections of the South and particularly in Alabama. The best opinion of Alabama and of all the South is not represented by the

acts of the reactionaries. We must give credit to a change in attitude of an influential and large section of Southern opinion—workers, farmers, and intellectuals—which, finally saw through this shameful frame-up, and out of decency and honesty brought pressure to bear on the state and the courts, which helped to make possible the victories in the Scottsboro case.

A MOST significant development has been the expression organizationally of the liberal and progressive sentiment in the South. The Scottsboro Defense Committee formed in Birmingham, a Southern committee, in which outstanding liberals and trade unionists, in the South are joined together. This uniting of progressive Southern forces constituted a powerful lever to force the Bourbon reactionaries in their subsequent retreat in the Scottsboro case. It should be further developed into a broad movement for progress against reaction and for full rights for the Negro people.

The Scottsboro victory is not complete. The freedom of the remaining boys must be gained. The Scottsboro Defense Committee, the International Labor Defense, the Communist Party, and all other organizations and the millions of supporters of the Scottsboro boys and the Negro people have said clearly and unambiguously—the fight is not ended. It will never end until all the 5 Scottsboro boys are free.

We cannot stop here. Scottsboro is a much broader issue. The Scottsboro fight, the issues around



CLARENCE NORRIS

the Scottsboro case and the tremendous lessons learned in this struggle must be made a basis for a fight for all Negro rights. A fight against lynchings, mob violence, and police brutality; for the enactment of a federal anti-lynching law; for the right to vote, serve on juries and enjoy complete civil liberty—these are a part of this great struggle developed around Scottsboro.

The right of Negro youth to equal opportunity in education and in the economic and social life is a part of this struggle. Complete equality for Negro women, their right along with all women to equal pay for equal work, their right to a suitable environment for themselves and their children—an environment which demands adequate housing, good schools and recreational facilities—are all part of the struggle around the Scottsboro case.

The fight for the freedom of the Scottsboro boys must be considered as a campaign to fight for the democratic rights of the Negro people, to safeguarding and extension of the democratic rights of the people as a whole, and against all forms of vigilantism, discrimination of Negroes, against fascist tendencies everywhere. It must be so organized as to develop the unity of Negro and white in the common struggle against reaction, for progress, and so as to bring the Negro people unitedly into the Democratic Front in the United States.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES



Ireland's Fight to End Partition—Bombings Help Chamberlain Gang; England's Difficulties Today

The "Irish Question" has explosively re-emerged to plague the Chamberlain regime when Tory treachery is multiplying difficulties for the English people.

It will be recalled, Premier Chamberlain initiated his fascist "appeasement" policy by securing, as he thought, the empire's position in Ireland (Eire) by a compromise solution of Ireland's independence demands. As one commentator put it, he sought to solve the "Irish Question" by the peculiar device of including a Republic under the British crown. But the Irish Republic with strings tied to it was left out in two. The Northern section, and its six counties, remained under British Tory rule with the direct domination of the British satrap, Prime Minister Craigavon.

Beginning early last week, a series of bombings in England and Ireland committed by a nihilist wing of the Irish Republican Army sensationally brought the whole Irish issue onto the front pages of the world press.

The Irish Republican Army (I.R.A.), which had during the last imperialist war led Ireland's magnificent fight for freedom, has during the past years sunk into inaction. It arose recently divided into three factions. It is the direct action clique, not at all representative of the present best needs of Irish freedom, or of the majority of the I.R.A. which we hear from so much in the news cables.

Primarily responsible is Chamberlain himself, who by demonstrating to the world how threats and terror bring "appeasements" gave encouragement to the small terrorist clique of the I.R.A. Rumor says also that it has had contact with Hitler himself.

In both the deeds and program of the nihilist groups in the I.R.A., certainly, we get a lesson of the disastrous method of indiscriminately applying slogans without estimating the objective political situation. Under Ireland's old battler, "England's difficulties are Ireland's opportunities" the terrorist groups of the I.R.A. are actually by their inability to apply this slogan to reality playing into the hands of Chamberlain.

England's difficulties today are predominantly those created by the Tory ruling clique's collaboration with fascism against the national interests and the social and national security demands of the vast majority of Britons.

By their wholesale bombings, and occasional killing of a British worker, the I.R.A. group responsible, is not winning the British people as allies against the Chamberlains—foes of both British security and Irish independence. Rather, the tension they create gives Chamberlain a cover for instituting repressive measures and refusing to submit to the terrorist demands of what he can claim is a small group of desperate men and not the will of the Irish people.

There can be not the slightest doubt that Ireland can never be free and unified until Partition of North and South is ended. The question is how to achieve it, and particularly by what means to make use of the difficulties created by the Tory allies of fascism so that the Irish people can win the support of the British people for their common aims.

Next Spring, Ireland's struggle for complete independence and unity will loom prominently in this country. At that time King George and his Queen are scheduled to arrive. Prime Minister de Valera of Ireland is expected to visit President Roosevelt in Washington. De Valera has correctly stated that there is "one outstanding issue between the two countries (England and Ireland), namely, Partition."

De Valera has made overtures to the British people, saying if Partition is ended and Ireland's unity guaranteed, that the Irish people would be willing to consider joint action in any war arising out of an attack by the fascist powers. De Valera, does not put the point as clearly as above stated, but he speaks in general of cooperation with England, if Ireland is united, in the event of a war. That fascist aggression is meant is a context supplied by history itself in view of the program of Italian, Japanese and German fascism.

The biggest difficulty is the sharp division on ending Partition among the people of the North who have been under British propaganda and pressure as long.

Progressive observers sum up the situation about as follows:

"The issues raised by de Valera present an acute problem for the Irish labor movement, which in the North is sharply divided on the question. It is also an issue of much import for the entire Anglo-Irish democracy. Their first need is unity against the fascist menace. The North Ireland Labor Party recently adopted a resolution calling for the two-fold Irish governments and the British government to negotiate Partition questions. This would begin with a discussion of lifting the vicious trade barriers created by the North and South conflict. Stress would be laid on improving conditions of labor in the two sections of Ireland by such negotiations. This approach would provide a labor front as a core for the solution of the entire problem."

Letters From Readers

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In other words, if you can, give and send me all the books that are lying around under your bed, or in some closet, or otherwise, that you would not miss, and I will pay the freight charges.

We MUST educate people in the cities, but also in the farm districts, too. JULIUS LEHMAN.

Editors Note: Write to DAILY WORKER for Quakertown address.

Barcelona People Rally To Halt Drive

(Continued from Page 1)

coming week. All available men under 35 and women from 18 to 40 are being called to fortify the town under the direction of army experts.

Today I saw old men, boys, women and young girls marching along the roads leading out of Barcelona. They were carrying picks and shovels for the fortification work.

Fascist aviation raids only strengthened the determined expressions of their faces.

Since yesterday morning the enemy's planes have raided Barcelona 16 times. As I write the sirens are again warning of another raid. The air raiders are using new methods, coming in many bombing planes with attendant pursuit planes. In

the second raid, for instance, 13 Junkers came.

Despite the superior numbers of enemy planes the Republican pursuit planes are never absent. They mount to give battle. Yesterday they brought down two enemy Junkers and three Messerschmidt pursuit planes. Time after time the bombers attacked, while below, in the Paseo de Gracia, crowds cheered the heroism of the Republican pilots.

If the invaders think they can intimidate the population in this manner they are adopting the wrong tactics. This enemy air raiding spurs the population to further efforts.

While old men build fortifications men called to the colors are going to recruiting centers. Many thousands have already left for the front. At five A.M. yesterday 20 volunteer battalions, raised by Popular Front organizations, and completely provided with officers, commissars and instructors were on the way.

Every man is prepared to give

his life if necessary to stop the Italian advance, which menaces their liberty and their beloved wives and children. None forget the ghastly massacre at Santa Coloma de Queralt.

The cruel fact is, however, that many men are going to the front insufficiently armed. Volunteer battalions have not enough machine guns.

[The United Press says that "convoy of Italian and German freighters were discharging enormous quantities of war materials, including tanks, at the ports of Cadix and Malaga," according to reports from Gibraltar.]

Yet, as a commissar of one of Spain's finest units said to me as I left the front yesterday: "What we need is material—aviation, tanks, artillery and machine guns. If those people who for two and a half years have maintained false neutrality and contented themselves with pious resolutions do their duty today, we will prove worthy of our task of saving Spain and Democracy."

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PERSONAL--BUT NOT PRIVATE

By DAVE FARRELL

Baseball Fan Is Irked at February

This is the time of year when my wife gets very worried about me. My mother was that way too. But Mom was easy with me. She just gave me sulphur and molasses and thought she'd done her duty. But my wife, being a doctor's daughter, won't settle so cheaply. She uses "science," so she says, in dealing with my case. Here's what she does:

First she reaches into the closet and yanks the strait-jacket out of the hamper. Then she faces the East and shakes it three times and whistles sweet and low. This of course brings me running to wherever she is, and then she measures me to see whether I have put on any weight or still look natty in it. Next she puts me through a catechism. If I answer correctly, she gives me a dubious look, gives out with a couple of ick-icks and puts the garment away.

The questions she asks me go something like this: "What in hell are the Cubs going to do with Steve Mesner this year?"

And I answer, "I'm damned if I know. This will make his third trip up there and he can't be farmed again. Each year they send him out on option to an AA league where he hits in the .330s and recall him in the fall. (Last season he hit .333 in 130 games with Indianapolis in the American Association.) This year I thought he was going to snag Billy Jurges' job away. And he might have too. But he'll never do that to Dick Bartel."

And she asks, "What about Rip Russell's chances of making the grade with the Cubs as first-sacker?"

And I answer, "Not a chance, although he was the class of the Coast League last year. But that Rip Collins is a real fancy Dan as a fielder and next season will be his best year at the plate, because he knows that Gabby doesn't love him the way Charlie Grimm did."

Then she winds up and lets me have, "How much of a manager will Leo Durocher be this coming season?"

I guffaw loudly as I answer, "You tell me, lady. (I always like to think of her as being a lady. But I realize it's just a thought.) The guy's surrounded by smarter managers than he'll ever be. On the first-base coaching line is Chuck Dressen, a smart g. and the greatest signal thief in the majors. On the third-base line is the Old Tomato-Puss, Bill Killefer, who once caught a guy called Grover Cleveland Alexander. Playing the other half of the keystone patrol, he will find Signor Tony Lazzeri, the smartest second baseman since Del Pratt. And on top of the leap is the Very Reverend L. S. McPhail, who will do all the ivory trading for the stockholders. So let's just say that the initials 'Mgr.' after Durocher's name are merely a further illustration of functional overlapping under a capitalist economy."

Now she gives me an easy one. "How soon will your friend Francois Villon O'Doul get a job as a major league manager?"

"As soon as Mr. Graham buys him a few pitchers, Lefty will graduate from the Coast to the National League. Lefty came pretty close to getting the Pittsburgh job last June. Only a spurt which lifted the Pirates up to the No. 1 spot kept Pie Traynor from feeling the blade right where he is most vulnerable."

A glint comes into her eye as she asks, "How will Col. Ruppert's death affect baseball?"

And I answer, "You naughty minx, you have me right on the spot! I don't like to speak of death as transfiguration. But Col. Ruppert's demise may change the American League for the very much better. Everybody knows that his first, second, third and sixty-fourth wives were his Yankees. He built that club then fortified and re-fortified it with his farms until it kicked all the kapok out of American League pennant races. After June 15th the only questions asked were, 'How many games will the Yankees win by?' or 'Who is going to finish in the first division?' Maybe now that Ruppert is gone the other owners will be able to shake some headway with Ed. Barrow, George Weiss, et al. on equalizing a little."

"What do you think of the idea of broadcasting ball games. And what it will do to the receipts?" are her next two interrogations tossed into one paragraph.

"The finest idea they've had since NIGHT BASEBALL!" I believe. "It will be a real boon to shut-ins and guys who just ain't fat enough to lay it on the ticket gulchets. And far from keeping people away, it should bring about a spiritual renaissance with the sluggards. All you have to do is listen to a couple of games and then you can't stand it any longer. You'll find yourself hopping a subway train bound North for a stadium." (East if you're afflicted with the Dodgers.)

"Who do you think ought to do the broadcasting?" she asks.

"I hear that Waite Hoyt wants the job, and should have it," I answer. "But the chances are he won't get it, because he wrote that piece in the Saturday Evening Post ribbing the National League. But Waite knows the game and has stage presence. If my memory fails me not, and it rarely does, he did an act in vaudeville, singing. Hoyt can really give you the game from a pitcher's angle. The fans would know what ball is being chucked at each batter and why."

"What about the Babe?"

"The Babe is a smart baseball man," I admit. "But I don't know whether he has the diction and command of the language. The business of broadcasting is something not given to everybody who has done a hit in baseball. I don't want to sound as though I were panning G. Herman's ability. I merely state that I don't know whether he can handle a mike for the whole stretch. I hope so."

At this point my wife looks at me quite quizzically and says, "You've been a very good boy. Now take that suit off and put it back where it belongs. And here's two pie tins and a wooden spoon to play with until we rip the rest of January and February off the OD calendar."

WHAT'S ON

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6-1 Odds on Joe Louis Over Lewis Well Justified

Seeks Comeback—On One Leg



Before . . .



After . . .

Monty Stratton, star hurler of the Chicago White Sox, who lost a leg in a hunting accident a few months ago, will attempt a pitching comeback on one leg next season. Monty won fifteen games for a losing club last year.

Heading for That Fast Round-Up

By Allan Stein

The Galento-Brescia fight is now history, but the reason for staging such a farcical affair is obscure and needs clarifying. This observer can think of but two possibilities:

(1) To determine Galento's right to a crack at the heavyweight crown.

(2) To pass on Brescia's chances of winning the diving championship at the next Olympics.

The fight (?) served to neither prove nor disprove Galento's claims. As far as he is concerned, it's merely another kape in the record books; but there can be no denying the fact that Brescia took the easy way out.

Tony put three left hooks, none particularly hard, into Brescia's body and then put over the payoff wallops, an invisible left hook, very few of the sports writers at ringside saw the alleged blow. Brescia went down, grimacing as though in agony, but snapped to his feet as soon as the referee had finished the count. He seemed as fresh as a daisy and appeared physically capable of doing the rhumba and caricia until dawn.

As an exhibition of plain and fancy diving it will never be surpassed, if for no other reason than its crudeness. It was the most palpitant exhibition of dogging a fight put on in many and many a moon. But—enough of Brescia, the oversized hunk of Gorgonzola imported from the Argentine, and to get back to Galento—

At the National Sports Alliance dinner last week, Tony put in an appearance attired in soup and fish and striking a note of sartorial elegance. He looked like a beer barrel dressed in evening clothes, with arms and legs attached. All night he went about bemoaning the fact he could not be permitted to fight Brescia in "dese beautiful clothes." This was something new and didn't last very long as Tony went into his now familiar routine. "Louis, Baer, Nova? They're all bums. I'll molder dem. They'll hold me for manslaughter!"

That act is now as thin as a five

Lou Gehrig in Line for Pay Slash From \$39,000

Veteran Only Sufferer as Barrow Mails Contracts

By Stan Kurman

Ed Barrow completed his first task as club president Saturday when he mailed out contracts to 38 Yankees and when he was finished it appeared that Lou Gehrig would be the only regular facing a pay slash.

Gehrig, who is about to start his 15th year with the club, got \$39,000 last year and even though he had a comparatively bad season he is not expected to sign for less.

The old Iron Horse, whose consecutive game string figures to stand for a long time, batted under .300 last year for the first time since 1925, hitting only .295. But he is still one of the top sluggers in the league and will probably be at training camp March 4, signed at a figure close to his own terms.

The general trend of Yank salaries is upward with Joe DIMaggio, fence-busting outfielder, getting an estimated \$25,000—the same figure he signed for in '38. If DIMaggio manages to make spring training and appear in the Yank opener it will be the first time he has done so since joined the club. One year a burned heel kept him out; then it was bad tonsils and last year he was a late holdout.

One stadiumite who is certain to get a raise is Joe Gordon, rookie second base sensation. In his first year in the majors, Joe played a brilliant game at the keystone sack and teamed up with Frank Crosetti to make the niftiest double-play pair in the league.

Crosetti and Bill Dickey, fine Yank backstop, figure to get raises while Rolfe, third-baseman and Henrich, young outfielder, will probably get the same as they did in '38. The word is out that Red Ruffing, Lefty Gomes and Monte Pearson, who combined to give the Yanks a fine mound staff will get slight raises as a token of appreciation for their many excellent pitching feats.

Youth Fives Begin to Sizzle

By Jack Jules

East New York Ties Fur Floor Boys, 24-24

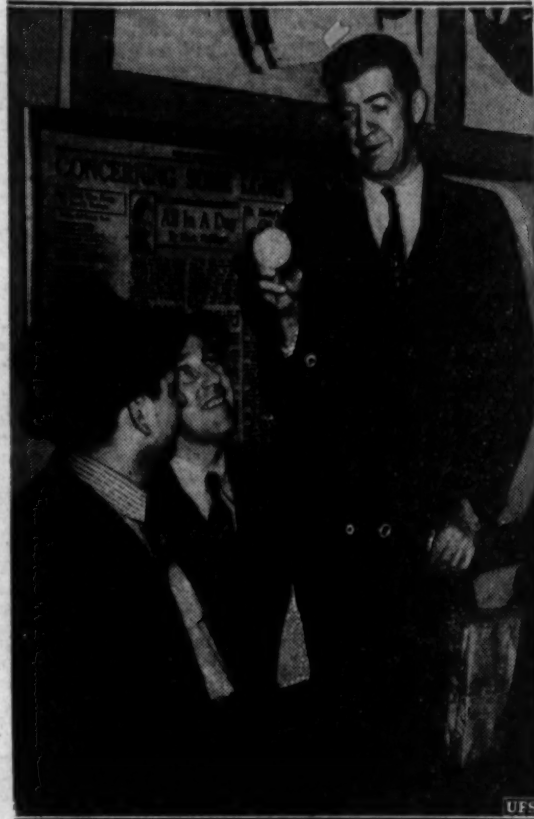
Unable to squeeze in an extra period because of house rules, the East New York five and the Fur Floor Boys, Local 135 played a 24-all tie last week.

Tubby Cass, star of the East New Yorkers was on the sidelines due to illness but a couple of newcomers, Salvatore Cerami and Larry Rosenbaum filled in nicely. Cerami, former Jefferson High ace, carried the brunt of the attack while Rosenbaum was high-scoring for the team with 8 points.

"Lefty" Krumholz, the Malraux five has advanced to second place in the tournament. With the season barely half over the YCL outfit stands a good chance of netting the championship since the tournament leaders, the Acme Club, were recently set down in a low scoring game 7-4, by the R.S.B.A., a newcomer to the Federation and the tournament, but a powerful hoop aggregation.

Nor has Dan Shay been idle. Their beguiling manager, Flo Unterman, reveals that the boys regard the defeat by the Co-ops as a "mistake that won't happen again."

"Only a Dime, Folks! . . ."



Pitching immortal of the lush twenties, Grover Cleveland Alexander, now 51 and no longer able to lure customers through the turnstiles, is forgotten by the "American Pastime" he helped build. Alex, only player elected to the Hall of Fame last year, is appearing as an attraction in a local dime museum.

Furriers, Office 5s Take Labor Tilts

It looks like the Furriers and the Office Workers in the Trade Union A.A. finale.

The two winners of first-round honors continued unbeaten in the second-half season by bouncing a pair of leading contenders at Seward Park gym Sunday night. The Furriers disposed of the New York Transport Workers.

37-28, while the Office Workers out-roughed the Fur Floor Boys, 26-21. In the other league game of the evening the United Warehouse Employees beat the Building Service five, 40-29.

In an exhibition game the Teachers Union beat the Electrical Workers, 29-23. The result will not be included in league averages.

The Furriers had to stage a third-quarter rally to stave off a surprising Transport Worker bid. The Transport quintet came back from the wrong side of a 17-8 count at halftime to within 4 points of the Furriers at the third stanza whistle. Then Marty Ackerman, high-scoring with 14 points, touched things off again for the Furriers who went on to win comfortably.

In a rough-and-tumble fracas that saw 3 players banished from the floor the Office Workers nosed out a hot Fur Floor Boys quintet which drove furiously in the second half.

Fedey, Office Workers set-shot ace, was high-scoring with 11 points.

WHOLESALEWORKERS ON TOP Paced by Harold Klein, who tallied a high-scoring 10 points, the Wholesaleers impressed in their win over the cellar-dwelling Building Service outfit. The Wholesaleers are definitely back in scoring form and should go on to give the league leaders plenty of trouble.

SEVEN BY PERIODS: Furriers 6 11 6 14-37; Transport (N. Y.) 4 5 10 9-28.

OFFICE WORKERS WIN Office Workers 6 11 4 5-26; Fur Floor Boys 3 7 6 5-21.

WHOLESALEWORKERS ON TOP Building Service 2 8 11 13-29; Wholesale Emp. 6 10 6 18-40.

TEACHERS UNION Teachers Union 7 6 7 9-29; Electrical Workers 4 6 7 6-23.

Little Chance Seen for John Against Champ, At Form Peak

Joe Hits Too Hard For Lighter Rival

By Lester Rodney

There is no such thing as a certainty to prize fighting. But insofar as it is at all possible to weigh the relative merits of two fighters before they meet for the first time, it seems almost certain that heavyweight champion Joe Louis will retain his title Wednesday night against John Henry Lewis at Madison Square Garden.

This fight will be the first world's heavyweight championship fight ever held between two Negro boxers in America. The great Jack Johnson fought and defeated Battling Jim Johnson in Paris in 1913 with his title on the line.

The ordinary enthusiasm that would greet such a significant sign of the breaking down of discrimination in the American sports world is missing only because this is a bad match, an artificial one which is almost certain to abruptly terminate the chances of John Henry to make money as a heavyweight.

John Henry has just vacated the light-heavyweight throne, (175 pound weight limit). There was little opposition for him there, and not enough interest in the division to earn him the money his great ring skill and record should have commended. So like Gene Tunney and Tommy Louhran and others before him he decided to take a whack at the heavyweight division, confident that he could beat most of the contenders in that division, which he could despite the handicap of weight—only about 180 lbs.

In starting his heavyweight career against Louis, however, he's starting with the surest recipe for oblivion the boxing world has ever known, for Joe is right now the greatest and hardest hitting heavyweight who ever stepped into a ring, and he's at his peak.

Though both boys are 25, John Henry is an "old" 25, flatly speaking, while Joe is a "young" 25. John Henry has been at it now since he was a tot in Phoenix, Arizona, and has had a good deal more than the 100 fights the record shows. He won't get any better, and the opinion is that he's slightly slower than he was a couple of years ago, though still a masterful boxer. Joe, on the other hand, has only been fighting professionally four years, and has had but 35 fights, give or take a few.

The main difference though, is in punching power. John Henry, possessor of a fair punch, can turn loose nothing vaguely resembling the short thunderbolts that crumpled Schmeling to the canvas, a case for the hospital, in a couple of minutes last June, the last time Joe has fought. It is inconceivable that Lewis, with all his skill, can escape those punches for 15 rounds, except by making a Bob Pastor bicycle tour out of it, in which case he'd lose the decision anyhow. But John Henry has always been a crowd pleaser, never running back and rarely holding. He's skilful, intelligent and master of his craft, and it really is a shame that he has to bump into Louis at this stage of his career. There are many more natural heavy matches for him to make—for one, he would probably give the blustering Tony Gallento a beautiful and edifying going over.

The odds are now 6-1, with most betting being on whether Joe will knock his opponent out. That's 4-1.

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